

TRY TO ASCERTAIN IF WATER IS PURE

Suspicious of Citizens of Petersburg Cause Investigation to Be Made.

MANY DO NOT SHARE FEAR

Majority of People Think the Supply Entirely Healthy—Two Boys Drowned.

Times-Dispatch Bureau.
109 North Sycamore Street.
Petersburg, Va., June 29.—An investigation of the city's water supply and filtration plant to determine the cause, if any, exists, of the alleged impurity of the water, was made today by City Engineer Budd and a representative of the filtration company which installed the plant now in use at the storage reservoirs. Many people have recently declared that the city water was in a bad condition, some of the complainants having discontinued using it for drinking purposes. A great number of citizens, on the other hand, laugh at such suspicions, and assert with equal positiveness that the city water is exceptionally good and decidedly superior to much of the bottled supply that is now being sold around town. No proof of any impurity or cause for such impurity has yet been shown by any one.

Negro Boys Drowned.
Two negro boys were drowned while bathing in the Appomattox River yesterday afternoon a short distance below the city, making six cases of such accidents in the river within the past three months. The unfortunate boys were Alfred Benn Smith, fifteen years old, son of Robert and Bettie Smith, and William Smith, son of William H. and Annie Smith. Both families live in Blanford.

The boys were bathing off one of the jetties near Swan's Island, when William Smith, who was a good swimmer, was learning to swim, became exhausted in water beyond his depth and called for help. His companion at once went to his assistance, but could not control the younger boy, who threw his arms around the rescuer with the strength of terror, both sinking to their death. The bodies were recovered and taken to an undertaking establishment.

To Take Trip Abroad.
Rev. F. W. Moore, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, will leave tomorrow for Boston, where he will meet Mr. R. L. Martin, who will meet him at his home on Friday next for a tour of England, Ireland, Scotland and France, and return the following day.

Evangelist William Beveridge, of Philadelphia, applied five converts to the Believer's baptism yesterday afternoon in the canal opposite the village of Matocca, in Chesterfield county. The young ladies of Charity Rebekah Lodge, No. 1, O. E. C., gave a very successful lawn party at Ferndale Park this evening, the proceeds of which will go to the relief of the poor in Old Folks' Home at Lynchburg.

Death of Mrs. Gay.
Mrs. Indiana Elizabeth Gay, wife of Mr. Oscar Gay, died yesterday morning at her residence in the city, after a long illness. Mrs. Gay was sixty-one years old, and is survived by her husband, four sons and three daughters. The funeral took place this afternoon from the Believer's Church, on West High Street. The funeral of Mrs. Gay was a well known young married man, who died at his residence on Pearl Street yesterday morning, took place from St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 6 o'clock this evening. Mr. O'Brien, who was thirty-two years old, had been ill for several months. His wife, Mrs. Elenora O'Brien, his mother, Mrs. Elenora O'Brien, his wife and two sisters.

FEDERAL COURT TO MEET.

Grand and Petit Juries for Term Beginning Next Monday.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ALEXANDRIA, Va., June 29.—The United States Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Judge Edmund Waddill presiding, will convene here Monday next. A large number of cases for violations of the Internal Revenue laws will come up for consideration.

The following grand jury has been summoned: Russell Wallace, James D. C. Gaudin, Carter Smith, M. L. Robinson, John A. Marshall, Oscar W. Phillips, Frank S. Harper, George D. Hopkins, E. S. Leadbeater, Allan Talbot, Samuel Townsend, A. W. T. Payne, Frank Rogers, C. F. Hicks, D. W. Scott, R. R. Harvie, W. E. Grigsby, H. H. Stubbins, H. M. Pratt, George Kerl, Murray Bettis, R. H. Pratt, Thomas Hoy, Sr.

The following petit jury has been summoned: Russell Wallace, James D. C. Gaudin, Carter Smith, M. L. Robinson, John A. Marshall, Oscar W. Phillips, Frank S. Harper, George D. Hopkins, E. S. Leadbeater, Allan Talbot, Samuel Townsend, A. W. T. Payne, Frank Rogers, C. F. Hicks, D. W. Scott, R. R. Harvie, W. E. Grigsby, H. H. Stubbins, H. M. Pratt, George Kerl, Murray Bettis, R. H. Pratt, Thomas Hoy, Sr.

HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Grady Lodge of Odd-Fellows Honor Memory of Their Dead.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SOUTH BOSTON, Va., June 29.—Grady Lodge, No. 14, Independent Order of Odd-Fellows of this place, held memorial services in honor of their deceased members at Oakridge Cemetery Sunday afternoon. The exercises consisted of addresses, songs and prayer. The address by Mr. R. H. Hunter, Beazley was eloquent and interesting. Other addresses were made by E. A. Marshall, E. N. Hardy, G. A. Harris and W. C. Burton, who made most tender and excellent talks, along the lines of friendship, love and truth. The lodge at this place is in a flourishing condition. The newly-elected officers for the ensuing term of six months are: W. C. Waller, noble grand; John McEwen, vice-grand; W. C. Coates, secretary; John E. Wood, chaplain; W. C. Coates, treasurer; and Phil H. Johnson, financial secretary. Charles T. Vancey is acting past grand and W. C. Coates is acting past grand master of the Thirty-second District.

WOMAN WEARING NO CLOTHES IS ADJUDGED INSANE.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SUFFOLK, Va., June 29.—Shortly before Sunday morning a woman, George E. Bunting, four miles north of Suffolk, was visited by a colored woman, Pauline Edwards, who was without clothing. Bunting telephoned to Suffolk and asked Hurricane Branch to arrest the woman, who was evidently crazy. She was brought to Suffolk, where today a commission of lunacy said that she was insane.

EVERYBODY occasion- ally eats something which does not agree with them, thus causing a spell of indigestion or other stomach distress. The

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Wise Talks by the Office Boy



Wow, only three more days and then the Glorious Fourth! I want to tell you two things I have discovered about the Fourth this year. One is that it is going to be hot, just like last year's "Fourth," and the other is that folks are going to put more money into soda crackers than into fire-burners. Understand me, we are going to celebrate, but not quite so fierce—more safe and sane business. A safe thing to do this year will be to stay at home and get some good up-to-date togetherness. I have a straight hunch about the weather. It will be showery in the early morning, then it is to turn up tepid, and little girls in white dresses carrying small flags will be more numerous than ever. Why not prepare for the Fourth by purchasing a new suit? This is the greatest saving store in the city. There's 20 per cent. discount on every suit in the house this day of good saving when genuine reduction comes early.



taken by the authorities to prevent the use of the beer. When the excursionists reached here and found their plans frustrated they were very angry. They insisted that the beer was to be given away, but the authorities notified that the tickets were sold on the boat to be redeemed here, and after the fracas, tickets were taken in and money refunded. A man was arrested and taken before Mayor Eastwood for cursing and being disorderly, but as the case could not be tried on Sunday \$10 cash bail was given for his appearance this morning, which was forfeited.

SETS HERSELF ON FIRE.

Norfolk Woman Chooses Starling Method of Ending Her Life.

NORFOLK, Va., June 29.—Mrs. Cornelia Sansone, wife of Edward Sansone, an Italian, who committed suicide Sunday afternoon by setting fire to herself after having saturated her clothing with gasoline. The woman, who was thirty-four years old, and persons passing there at the time, were startled to see a screaming woman completely enveloped in flames. She was shot high into the air and burned fiercely as they were fanned by the breeze. Water was thrown about twenty yards in the street. Mrs. Sansone fell to the pavement. Those who came to her assistance could do nothing for her. She was dead before the fire was out. The body was taken to the morgue. The cause of the suicide was not known. The woman was a native of Italy and had been in the United States for several years. She was a widow and had three children. She was a member of the Italian community in Norfolk.

BOYS BREAK INTO STORE.

Merchant Catches Them in the Act, But One Escapes.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BOYDTON, Va., June 29.—One night last week Mr. M. A. Waller's store in Boydton was broken into and robbed. Since then Mr. Waller has been sleeping in his store. Last night, about 12 o'clock he was awakened by noise and springing up found two boys, Stanley Smith and Isaac Chavus, inside and at once caught one and turned him over to a friend to hold, while he went after the other boy, who had fled.

While Mr. Waller was gone, the boy prisoner made a dash for liberty and succeeded in getting away. Chavus was arrested by his home last night by the sheriff, but although the sheriff has made diligent search for Smith, he has not been caught.

TO DEMOLISH INSIDE INN.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, Va., June 29.—The announcement is made today by the managers of the inside inn at the Jamestown Exposition Grounds that the building will be wrecked immediately, and the lumber, etc., utilized for other purposes, probably the building will be used for a brick store and a two-story high and practically fireproof.

AMERICAN GRANULATED SUGAR, per lb., 5 1/2c

Canned Tomatoes, 6c

Small Smithfield Hams, lb., 16c

Good Lard, per pound, 11c

Large Irish Potatoes, peck, 25c

2 lbs. Roll Butter, 25c

California Evaporated Peaches, 2c

3 cans Early June Peas, 25c

7 large bars Swift's Pride Soap, 25c

Ullman's Pride Coffee, 2 pounds, 25c

3-lb. Jar Home-Made Preserves, 20c

Large Lump Starch, per lb., 4c

5-lb. pail Preserves, home made, 35c

Good Salt Pork, per lb., 7c

2 lbs. Fresh Roasted Laguyra Coffee, 25c

Virginia Pride Coffee, lb., 14c

Good Mixed Tea, lb., 30c

Macaroni or Spagetti, per lb., 7c

Pure Cider Vinegar, gal., 20c

Best Elgin Butter, lb., 25c

Large Juicy Lemons, doz., 12 1/2c

HOST OF BAPTISTS AT CAMP MEETING

Several Hundred Attend Sessions of Encampment at Buckroe and Show Deep Interest.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BUCKROE BEACH, Va., June 29.—Interesting meetings at the Casino Theatre were held by the Baptist campers at Buckroe Beach today. About 500 people attended the services, and during the morning the grounds were almost deserted. The morning meeting opened with a song service at 8:45 o'clock. At 9 o'clock the Rev. V. R. Masters, of Richmond, one of the editors of the Religious Herald, delivered a particularly interesting lecture on "Religious Journalism." The Rev. B. C. Herring, of Lynchburg, corresponding secretary, followed, and was followed by the Rev. J. B. Sampay, who gave another of his addresses on "The Mountain Peak of Old Testament Revelation," taking David as his subject.

The Country Church. An address on "The Denominational Value of the Country Church," by Mr. William Ellison, was followed by an open discussion of "Education and Religion," who was to have delivered an address on "The Relation of the Country Church to the City Church," and the Rev. Dr. George B. Taylor, whose subject was to have been "The Opportunity of the Country Church," were both absent.

This afternoon the campers again spent pleasant hours on the beach and out upon the water. Yesterday was the biggest day of the encampment, thousands of people from all over Tidewater and a large number from Richmond coming to the camp. Practically an all-day meeting was held. Rev. Dr. Gray, of Atlanta, secretary of the Home Mission Board, delivered an address last night on "Missions."

To Name B. Y. P. U. Officers. A committee has been appointed to nominate officers for the State Baptist Young People's Union, which is to be revived. It is understood that Rev. R. A. Fristoe, of Norfolk, will be named president, and Rev. Amos Terry, of Lynchburg, corresponding secretary. The organization will be perfected and officers elected to-morrow. The encampment has also decided to recommend to the State association that a field secretary for young people be employed.

DISMAYED SCHOONER SPRAGUE HAD CARGO OF COCAINOTS

NORFOLK, Va., June 29.—Captain Small and the crew of the dismasted schooner Charles L. Sprague, which was towed into Hampton Roads yesterday by the Cuban steamship Yumuri, are safe aboard the wreck. They had a frightful experience in the storm which so badly damaged their vessel, but all are well. The Sprague, instead of having aboard molasses from Porto Rico, was found to have a cargo of cocaine. The cocaine was found in the hold of the vessel, which was loaded with cocaine. The cocaine was found in the hold of the vessel, which was loaded with cocaine. The cocaine was found in the hold of the vessel, which was loaded with cocaine.

ACETYLENE GAS BUOY TO MARK ENTRANCE TO RIVER.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, Va., June 29.—After months of work on the part of the shipping interests of Norfolk, the government has granted petitions for an acetylene gas buoy, to mark the entrance into Elizabeth River, the improvement to go into commission on July 15th. The buoy will be a gas buoy, and will be used to mark the entrance into Elizabeth River. The buoy will be a gas buoy, and will be used to mark the entrance into Elizabeth River. The buoy will be a gas buoy, and will be used to mark the entrance into Elizabeth River.

Trying Damage Suit.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

ALEXANDRIA, Va., June 29.—The damage suit of Michael Greogan, administrator of the estate of Philip Alexandria and Vernon Venton Electric Railway Company was heard in the Corporation Court today. It will probably be continued to-morrow. The suit is for damages of \$10,000 for the death of a son of the plaintiff, who has run down and killed by a car of the company May 12, 1907.

BOY, MOURNED AS DROWNED, FOUND AT FRIEND'S HOME.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

LYNCHBURG, Va., June 29.—Letcher Pfeiffer, the thirteen-year-old lad, who was reported to have been drowned here last Sunday, has been located at the home of a relative, at Greenleaf. The boy ran away from home.

To Erect Large Warehouse.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, Va., June 29.—J. L. Up-ton & Company today began operations for the erection of a large warehouse on the Higgins property, Water Street, with a river frontage of ninety feet on the south. The depth of the building will be 185 feet. The building will be of brick, two stories high and practically fireproof.

Building Permits

Richmond College to Improve Kitchen at Cost of \$2,000.

Building permits issued yesterday include the following: Robert and Rebecca Johnson, to erect a frame tenement, two dwellings, at Nos. 813-815 North Seventh Street, between Duval and Baker Streets; cost, \$2,800.

Richmond College, to repair a brick kitchen building on Louisa Street by the college grounds; by erecting a brick addition, according to plans filed; cost, \$2,000.

Mrs. K. R. O. Gorman, to repair a frame dwelling, at No. 510 Sixth Street, between Louisiana and Denny Streets, by erecting a front porch and recovering a tin roof; cost, \$200.

Jefferson Realty Corporation, owners of the Jefferson Hotel, to repair the hotel property by erecting a concrete garbage chamber; cost, \$200.

Jacob Ebel's estate, to alter a brick store, No. 835 East Main Street, by putting in a new plate glass door; cost, \$500.

Mr. Allan to Run.

Mr. Edgar Allan, Jr., assistant postmaster of Richmond, and past division commander of the Maryland Division, Sons of Veterans, will be put forward by that division as its candidate for commander-in-chief of the national organization. The annual reunion will take place at Niagara Falls on August 24th, when an election of officers will be held.

Sent to Insane Asylum.

Thomas F. Miller, who was arrested Saturday afternoon on the charge of trespassing on the property of Mrs. Anna Heck, of the freight house, was adjudged insane by the judge today and committed to the insane asylum at the State Hospital.

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WITNESS DEAD, BRANCH TO RETIRE

Unable to Find Another Bloodhound of Equal Worth, He Gives Up the Business.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SUFFOLK, Va., June 29.—Hurricane Branch announced today that he was going to retire from the bloodhound business. This was a criminal case, which he probably has a wider reputation along this line of endeavor than any man in the United States, will give him a following of bloodhounds, which he has given him near nation wide notoriety and at the same time earned him considerable coin. The lack of proper dogs is the cause. The tragic fate of bloodhound Tiger, Jr., was the final straw which brought about Branch's decision.

Tiger died in harness. He was chasing a burglar through Dismal Swamp jungles on June 15th, when, close-pressed, the quarry turned and fired the death shot. The dog was heard by the posse far behind, but they never located the body. When a large reward failed to bring word of the missing hound, a final search was made by Branch, in company with Rev. W. Mosby Beay, of the Baptist Church.

The dog was far into the fastness of the ten-grown swamp. Finally came upon a flock of circling vultures, which told the story that Tiger was no more.

Branch ran advertisements offering \$1,000 for the dead dog's equal, but none was ready for the running with in a year. Shortly before Tiger's death Branch had closed a contract to work West Virginia mines ninety days for \$250. After the loss of Tiger he feared to undertake the task with a dog of untried capacity.

The two Tigers were perhaps the most famous bloodhounds in the country, and it was their work in Branch's bloodhound notoriety largely rests.

The first big case which brought Tiger, Sr., into the country was the Cropper trial in Elizabeth City, N. C. Shortly after the girl's disappearance Tiger followed Neil Cropper's steps to the bank of the Esposito River, from which the body was fished some weeks later.

Norfolk paper printed a full page picture of the dog and the river scene.

HAD FALLEN FROM TRAIN.

Not Identified, But Youth Believed to Be Jesse Freeman.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ALEXANDRIA, Va., June 29.—The body of an unidentified white boy, about eighteen years of age, was found lying beside the railroad tracks in this city, today at 10:30 o'clock. It was evident that he fell from a train. His skull was cracked, and there was an ugly cut under the chin. The boy was attired in a mouse-colored shirt with collar attached, and wore black slippers and socks. He had sandy colored hair, and did not appear to be a native of this city. The body was marked No. 70182, and dated November 11, 1907, with the name of Belk. The body was found by a car of the Norfolk and Western Railway.

SUE STOCKHOLDERS FOR DIVIDENDS ILLEGALLY PAID

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, Va., June 29.—Some 150 depositors of the Peoples Bank, who are suing the stockholders of the bank to recover dividends alleged to have been illegally paid. The suits are based on the investigations of Receiver Griffith, who has been ordered to ascertain if the dividends, extending back several years, were illegally paid, and that he would seek to have all such moneys returned to the bank.

TWO INJURED BY HORSE.

Runaway Animal Falls on Father and Tramples Son.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SPEYER, N. J., June 29.—Mayor J. R. Thomas, of Spencer, and his ten-year-old son, William, were severely injured in Salisbury this afternoon by a horse they were driving taking a short cut through a field. The animal fell with great force on top of Mr. Thomas, who had landed in a ravine about ten feet deep, injuring him internally. His son was trampled by the horse. Both were brought to their home in Spencer for treatment.

Mrs. Tyson Reaches Salisbury, Traveling in Glass Box

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

SALISBURY, N. C., June 29.—Traveling in an iron glass-covered box, Mrs. William Tyson, of Fitchburg, Mass., arrived here today in search of health. The box in which she travels is furnished with modern conveniences, and Mrs. Tyson keeps well wrapped in blankets. She has lived for years almost without air.

RAILROADS UNITE IN FIGHT ON NEW FRANCHISE TAX

MONTGOMERY, ALA., June 29.—The fight of four big railroad systems to defeat the new state franchise tax began here in earnest today. It being claimed that the tax is unreasonable and unjust. The Atlantic Coast Line, the Louisville and Nashville, the Central of Georgia and the Seaboard Air Line are plaintiffs. Fifty thousand dollars has been paid under protest.

Gaz Flamed Black.

While firing a boiler at No. 813 North Seventeenth Street yesterday morning, Mr. J. Vaughan, of No. 509 Louisiana Street, was badly burned about the face and arms as a result of a flare-back of gas in the furnace. He was treated by a surgeon from the city ambulance corps and sent home.

The Jefferson Turkish Baths Are Now Open for Business

Having Been Thoroughly Renovated, Under the Management of the

JEFFERSON HOTEL.

Gentlemen's hours from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M. daily except Sunday.

Ladies' hours from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. daily except Sunday.

Single tickets, \$1.00; 6 tickets, \$5.00; 12 tickets, \$10.

Slaking Fund Commissioners To-day.

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TEAM PICKED FOR NEW FOUNTAIN CAMP PERRY SHOOT

Twelve Marksmen Making Best Scores to Represent Virginia in National Event.

Colonel C. A. Dempsey, United States Army, detailed for duty in connection with the militia of this State, returned yesterday from Camp Harrington, near Williamsburg, where the rifle range is located. For a week Colonel Dempsey has been attending the contest between teams from the Virginia militia companies, the object of the competition being to select a State team to attend the national rifle shoot at Camp Perry, O., on August 24th. The twelve men who will make up the Virginia team have been selected in the following order: Quartermaster-Sergeant C. T. Hawley, Richmond; Company C, Seventy-first Infantry Blues; Private T. J. Fisher, Petersburg; Company G, Seventy-second; Lieutenant E. V. Peacock, Franklin; Company K, Seventy-second; E. D. Gregory, Roanoke; Company E,